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REPORT ON POSITIONS OF MINFIELDS IN THE STOCKHOLM AREA AND
METHOD FOR DETERMINING POSITION OF COMVOYS
(1941)

From: STOCKHOLM

To: NO500

27th December 1941

No: 1674

To: [Name No. 42][i]

1. Dispositions [R. SPPILOZHEVIE][a] of the officer commanding the naval forces in the STOCKHOLM area [ii] [3 groups unrecovered] restriction [b] of the minfields,

1. $59^{\circ} 49' : 17^{\circ} [0^{\circ} 40']$
2. $59^{\circ} 53' : 17^{\circ} 43'$
3. $59^{\circ} 53' : 17^{\circ} 50'$
4. $59^{\circ} 51' : 16^{\circ} 37'$
5. $59^{\circ} 21' : 13^{\circ} 25'$

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6. $59^{\circ} 17' : 13^{\circ} 32'$
7. $59^{\circ} 36' : 13^{\circ} 55'$
8. $59^{\circ} 51' : 19^{\circ}$ [2 groups unrecovered]
9. $59^{\circ} 54' : 19^{\circ} .7'$

2. The approximate position of the convoys [TRANSPORT][c] can be [d] determined by intercepting and [e] D/F-ing the radio transmissions from [d] the guard ships [STOCKHOLM] which communicate with each other and also with ships of the escort [ENSKORT] in code on the wavelength which is known to you, with the exception of the signals[e] from the guard ships and escort vessels to [52 groups unrecovered].

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[Signature not recovered]

Notes: [a] Possibly a mistranslation from the Swedish or a mistake for "R.F. INSTRUKTION" = "Instructions".
[b] Literal translation: meaning not clear without context.
[c] On the evidence of STOCKHOLM's No. 1055 of 25th September 1941 (unpublished) the word TRANSPORT is clearly used in the sense of "convoy".
[d] Literally "... D/F-ing] the working radio sets of ..." [e] Literally "conversations". However it seems probable that this refers to any form of communication and that it is not confined to voice transmission.

Comments: [i] Name No. 52: Possibly Capt. (1st Rank) L.,, VCRÖTSOV.
[ii] See also STOCKHOLM's Nos. 1575 and 1603 of 13th and 19th December 1941 (3/MBP/T1964 and 1965). These texts appear to refer to the Swedish "Neutrality Navigation Route" along the south-east coast of SWEDEN, which was sometimes used by convoys carrying German troops from GÖTEBORG to FINLAND.

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